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13. SERIAL SHORT STORY "WHANG CH'O YONG" By Han Sol-ya

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14. YOUNG JAPANESE AND KOREAN YOUTHS IN JAPAN MEET FOR SUCCESS OF GENEVA CONFERENCE

The Korean Young Democratic Patriots' Union held a meeting at Hibiya Hall in Tokyo on the evening of 2 April. About 800 young Japanese and Koreans in Japan assembled and supported the Geneva Conference. OKADA Haruo, representative of the Workers and Farmers Party, made the following speech: "The success or failure of the Geneva Conference is one of the most urgent problems now confronting us. The objectives of the conference are to make all alien forces evacuate Korea and to settle the Korean problem peacefully. We cannot, though, rely upon this absolutely, for Dulles' speeches show how the U.S. persists in her aggressive policy. Supporting the Geneva Conference means upholding world peace. As Premier KIM Il-sung commented, 'To drive Americans out of Asia is the common objective of Japan and Korea; all of you young men are responsible for carrying out this task.'"

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(PHOTO OF STUDENTS GOING TO SCHOOL)

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- b. Education should meet the demands of youth, and propaganda must be geared to local situations.
- c. Local cultural centers should be organized to guide young men in the struggle for their civil rights and in the creative way of life.

The union decided to support the Geneva Conference and to send messages to the North Korean Democratic Patriots' Union and to educational authorities protesting against pressure on Korean education.
(PHOTO OF MEETING)

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The second Central Women's meeting was held in the Tojima Public Hall in Tokyo on 3 April. Nine hundred Japanese and Korean women assembled and discussed the initiation of a drive against the use of h-bombs. The YOSHIDA government's pressure on Korean education also aroused their resentment.

(PHOTO OF MEETING)

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19. NORTH KOREAN MOVIE "SCOUT" POPULAR IN KANSAZAKI

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One hundred seventeen accused Koreans, involved in the second Kobe case, will be sentenced on 9 and 12 April after having been put on trial 336 times in the last three years and four months. Because Koreans in Japan have been oppressed unreasonably, the Liberation Relief Association in Nagoya has requested that all Koreans in Japan send letters of protest against this unfair treatment. The brief story of this case is as follows. Koreans in Nagoya region of Kobe launched a campaign for their rights during the week of 20 November. At length the chief of the Nagoya Division Office accepted their demands. On their way home from the Division office, police arrested seven Korean and injured many others. In protest 700 Koreans again held a demonstration, and 300 policemen turned out to break it up. During this conflict 304 Koreans were rounded up and 118 were held. SO Won-ch'un, one of the accused, is dead and now 117 persons are being tried.

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A memorial service for victims of the liner Ukijima, the ship which sank near Maizuru with 524 Korean and 26 Japanese passengers sailing for Korea immediately after the 15 August liberation, will be held on 14 April in Maizuru. The true aspect of the reactionary clique, now absorbed in the business of rearming Japan, will be exposed when the truth of the event is told at the coming service.

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24. READERS' COLUMN

For Better Comprehension of the Liberation Press

I am one of those who learned our mother tongue after the 15 August liberation. It is difficult for such people to read and understand Chinese characters written in Hangul according to the sound. It is desirable that articles be written in easy Korean terms for a better grasp of the meaning.

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On 31 March KIM Ch'on-hae, one of the chairmen of the Homeland Unification Democratic Front, encouraged Koreans in Japan over the radio to oppose the YOSHIDA government and struggle for Koreans' rights in Japan, especially for their national education. Since November 1953 North Koreans have sent more than 700 encouraging letters to Koreans in Japan. Premier KIM Il-song showed us the way through the Japanese House Mission to North Korea. KIM Ch'on-hae's recent speech has inspired Koreans in Japan to fight strongly for our national rights. His address is not only an encouraging speech; it is the voice of our Fatherland demanding its people to rise in an emergency. We have not yet fully responded to this call. The Korean national educational defense campaign should be successfully carried out.

2. DULLES' SPEECH ON INDOCHINESE PROBLEM

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The Japanese Peace Conference met on 2 and 3 April at Pibiya Hall and the Akavaka Diet Library and adopted a decision concerning the prohibition of atomic weapons and the Korean and Indochinese problems.
(PHOTO OF CONFERENCE ROOM)

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The World Peace Conference held on 28-30 March in Vienna issued the following statement on atomic weapons: "The recent H-bomb experiment at Bikini has proved that this weapon will have horrible effects on mankind. All nations oppose the use of such a cruel force. This unlimited power discovered by science is for man's better life, not for the destruction of his achievements. The prohibition of atomic weapons is absolutely necessary, and it is possible by international agreement."

7. NORTH KOREAN CITIES UNDER RECONSTRUCTION

According to a Sinhwa-sa dispatch, North Korean cities are being speedily rebuilt. In P'yongyang 15,000 houses, over 200 large buildings, 900 factories, 100 schools, and many other cultural and clinical installations have been reconstructed or newly erected. Public utilities such as telegraph facilities, telephones, water works, mail deliveries and transportation have been nearly restored in downtown P'yongyang. Basic work on Stalin Street and the Central Square has been completed.

8. NORTH KOREAN RAILWAYS RECONSTRUCTED

The main railways of North Korea have been completely revived. By 5 August 1953 the five main railways between P'yongyang and Sinuiju, P'yongyang and Kaesong, P'yongyang and Wonsan, P'yongyang and Kampo, and Wonsan and Najin were in operation. Those branch lines between Sinanju and Pukch'ong, P'yongyang and Tokch'on, Chongju and Ch'ongsu, Kilchu and Hyesan, Paegam and Musan, Hungnam and Changjin were open by 1 September 1953. By the end of December in the same year the mining lines of Tokch'on, Ch'onnae-ri, and Kowon, and the Hwanghae line were completely restored.

9. INCREASING RELIEF GOODS FOR NORTH KOREA

Relief goods from neighboring countries have greatly increased this year. Between the middle of January and the middle of February, over 100 kinds of modern machines, 30 varieties of reconstruction materials, and other daily necessities arrived in North Korea. As of 5 March 18,900 carloads of 5,000 types of articles were received from China. These were mostly silk, cotton, woolen clothing, socks, and towels. Germany, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary, Rumania, and Mongolia sent machine tools, steel, high speed lathes, vehicles, medical instruments, medicine, cloth, horses, and daily necessities.

10. ACTIVE REFORESTATION IN NORTH KOREA

The North Korean people are now vigorously developing a reforestation

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